Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Previously presented) A stent comprising:
- (a) substrate; and
- (b) calcium phosphate coating on the substrate, wherein said coating has a thickness of no more than 1 μm .
- (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1 wherein the calcium phosphate coating comprises hydroxyapatite.
- 3. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1 wherein the thickness of the calcium phosphate coating is between about $0.01~\mu m$ to $1~\mu m$.
- 4. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1 wherein the thickness of the calcium phosphate coating is between about 0.1 μm to 1 μm .
- (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1 wherein the tensile bond strength between the substrate and the calcium phosphate coating is greater than about 20 MPa.
 - 6. (Cancelled)
- (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1 wherein the coating covers about 20% to about 99% of the surface of the substrate.
- 8. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1 wherein the substrate comprises a metal or metal alloy selected from stainless steel, cobalt alloy, titanium, cobalt-chromium, cobalt-iron, and cobalt-chromium-nickel-molybdenum-iron.
- (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1 wherein the calcium phosphate coating is porous and the pores retain and elute a drug.
 - 10. (Cancelled)

- 11. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 9 wherein the substrate has a first calcium phosphate coating and a second calcium phosphate coating and the drug is contained in the first and second coatings.
- 12. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 9 wherein the drug inhibits restenosis.
- 13. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1 wherein the calcium phosphate coating comprises dicalcium phosphate, tricalcium phosphate or tetracalcium phosphate.
 - 14-36. (Cancelled)
- 37. (Currently amended) A stent as claimed in claim 1, wherein the tensile bond strength between the substrate and the calcium phosphate coating is greater than about 40 MPa.
- 38. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1, wherein the calcium phosphate coating is an electrochemically deposited coating.
- 39. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1, wherein the calcium phosphate coating is an electrophoretically deposited coating.
- 40. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1, wherein the calcium phosphate coating is a sol gel deposited coating.
- (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1, wherein the calcium phosphate coating is an aerosol gel deposited coating.
- 42. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1, wherein the calcium phosphate coating is a dip-coated coating.
- 43. (Previously presented) A stent as claimed in claim 1, wherein the calcium phosphate coating is a spin-coated coating.
 - 44-59. (Cancelled)